



ANNUAL REPORT 2024



CHIEF STEVE ROTUNNO

CHIEF'S MESSAGE

Greetings!

On behalf of the women and men that serve with the Cicero Police Department, I want to thank you for taking the time to review the department's 2024 Annual Report. Hopefully this report will highlight the outstanding work our officers do each day while serving this vibrant community. Community Engagement along with recruitment and selection remained a high priority in 2024. We are steadfast in our commitment to recruiting the highest caliber, most diverse officers who represent our core values, and will deliver the highest quality police services to Cicero.

Policing in the 21st Century demands that we increase positive police/citizen interactions to build trust in the department and illustrate the legitimacy of our mission. Our officers embraced this philosophy enthusiastically through contacts and events within the community. Simultaneously, we engaged our community through technology and increased our social media presence. Our community is engaging with us in many constructive ways and the components necessary for mutual respect and public safety are growing every day in Cicero. We have nurtured a culture that embraces the tenants of 21st century policing, and the results speak for themselves.

The Town of Cicero Police Department would like to thank the Town Board, and the individual Departments of the Town, for their support throughout the year. Our jobs are made easier with their continuous help and support. I also would like to thank the citizens of Cicero for all of their support that they provide to us throughout the year.

Lastly, I would be remiss if I didn't thank the men and women of the Cicero Police Department. It remains an honor to serve beside each of you.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to me at srotunno@ciceronypd.gov.

Sincerely,

Steve Rotunno

Chief of Police

TOWN OF CICERO POLICE DEPARTMENT

MISSION STATEMENT

“To serve all people within our jurisdiction with respect, fairness and compassion. We are committed to the protection of life and property; the preservation of peace, order and safety; the vigorous enforcement of local, state and federal laws in a fair and impartial manner. We are committed to serving our community to enhance the quality of life and to nurture public trust by holding ourselves to the highest standards of performance and ethics. Our officers are determined to serve as a deterrent to crime, develop relationships with community groups, residential and business organizations, and promote an environment receptive to all visitors and residents.”

VISION STATEMENT

Provide efficient police services to all we serve in a professional, polite, and service oriented, manner. To safeguard the safety of our roads through assertive traffic enforcement. To provide safe neighborhoods through aggressive neighborhood patrols and interaction with our citizens

ACCREDITATION

The Cicero Police Department has continuously been a New York State Accredited agency since 2003. The New York State Law Enforcement Agency Accreditation is a formal recognition that an agency's policies and practices meet or exceed the standards established by the Municipal Police Training Council the areas of administration, training, and operations. Maintaining state accreditation ensures the community that their police department is continually following the best possible modern practices in law enforcement.

DEMOGRAPHICS AND HIRING

The Cicero Police Department is committed to providing quality, professional police services to the community in keeping with our mission and core values. The department dedicates a great deal of resources to recruitment, selection and retention of our staff. The department has 21 sworn full time officers, 2 sworn part time officers, 3 Special patrol officers, and 2 civilian employees.



Demographics

	Male	Female
Hispanic	1	0
White	22	6

BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS



2024 Grant Funding

In 2024 the Cicero police Department received \$726,647 in grants funding from multiple sources. This funding was and is still be used to purchase body armor, body cameras, patrol vehicles, computers, community policing supplies, and a new pole barn.



TRAINING



Throughout 2024, CPD officers showed commitment to continuous improvement through participation in a series of department wide trainings. Officers were able multiple department with trainings instructed by CPD personnel. Officers attended over 1900 hours of instruction to include but not limited to use of force, firearms, legal updates, defensive tactics, reality based training, de-escalation, and many more.

Our Supervisors attended over 700 hours of instruction in multiple topics.





2024 Retirements

Detective Michael Serafin

2024 New Hires



**Officer
Luis Figueroa-
Rosado**



**Officer
Victoria Campoli**



**Officer
Kyle Kallfelz**

YEAR IN REIEW



The Cicero Police Department responded to 19,353 calls for service in 2024. This represents a 10.5% increase over 2023. Currently, our patrol Section has 3 full-time sergeants and 13 full-time patrol officers. The Criminal Investigations Section had 1 full-time detective and 1 part-time detective assigned.

2024 CALLS FOR SERVICE

18,883	Calls for Service 11%↑ over 2023
1,809	Traffic Stops 12%↑ over 2023
1,187	Traffic Tickets Issued
449	Persons Arrests

TRAFFIC CRASH REPORTING

Total Collisions 744

**Total Collisions
without injuries 665**

**Total Collisions
With injuries 76**

Hit and Run 65

2023-2024 COMPARISON

Total Collisions Up 5.4%

Pedestrian Up 10%

2024 ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



STAFF

POLICE CHIEF—Steve Rotunno OPERATIONS SECTION

Lt James Meyers

Sgt Steven Amyot

Sgt James Snell

Sgt Thomas Leo

Sgt Ashley Smith

Investigator Sean Wallace

Investigator Kevin Birardi

Officer Wayne Freeman

Officer John Baldini

Officer Victoria Campoli

Officer John Cottrell

Officer Eric Flansburg

Officer Luis Figueroa

Officer Kyle Harrington

Officer Kyle Kallfelz

Officer James Kazmirski

Officer John Laperla

Officer Daniel Leneker

Officer Ernes Merdanovic

Officer Gabrielle Morrissey

Officer Brian Patterson

Officer Casey Placito

Officer Austin Ray-Briggman

Officer Cole Schanbacher

Special Patrol Officers

Officer Him Hiltbrand

Officer John Maguire

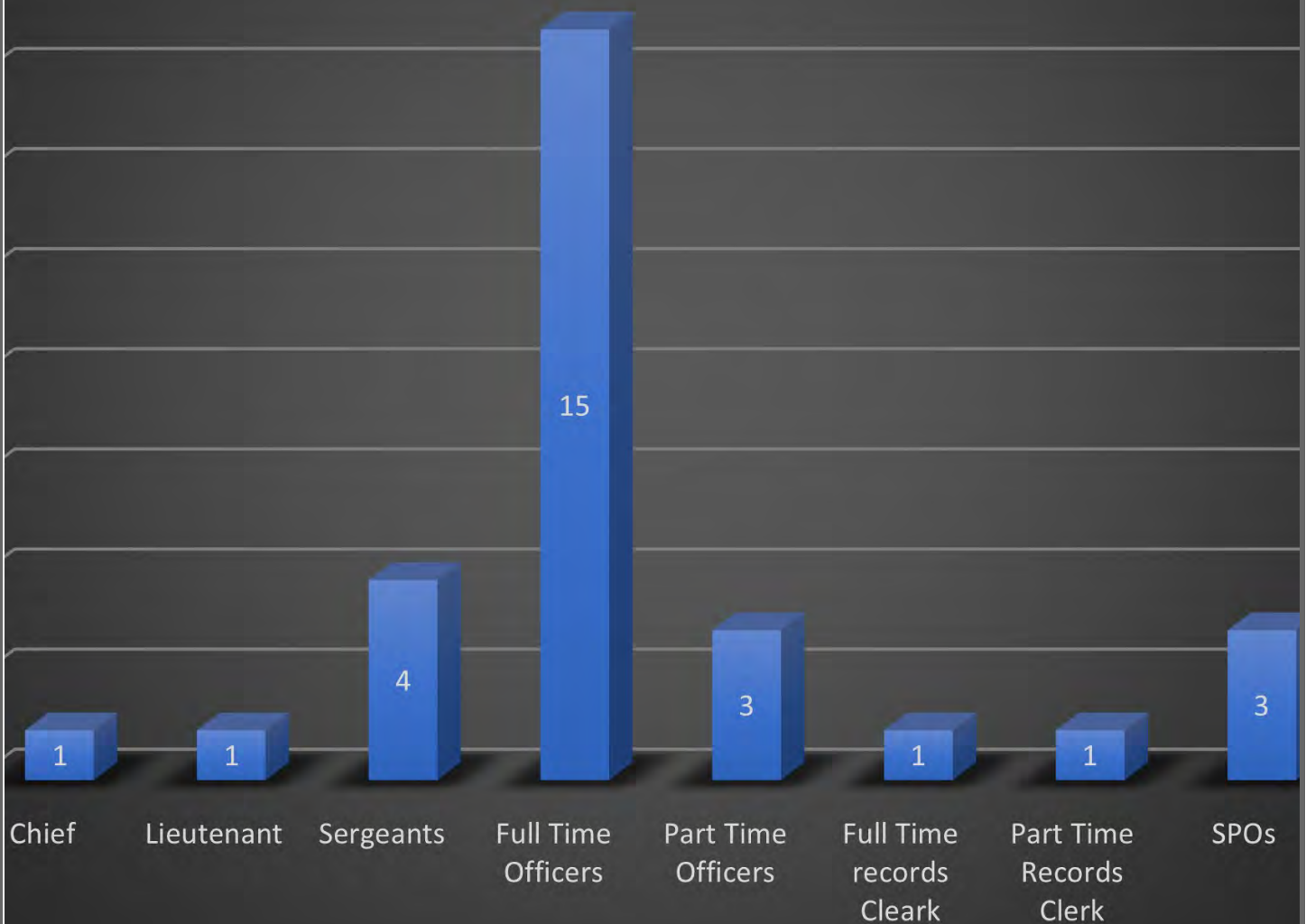
RECORDS SECTION

Police Clerk Andrea Castro

Police Clerk Susan Morey



2024 Staff Break Down

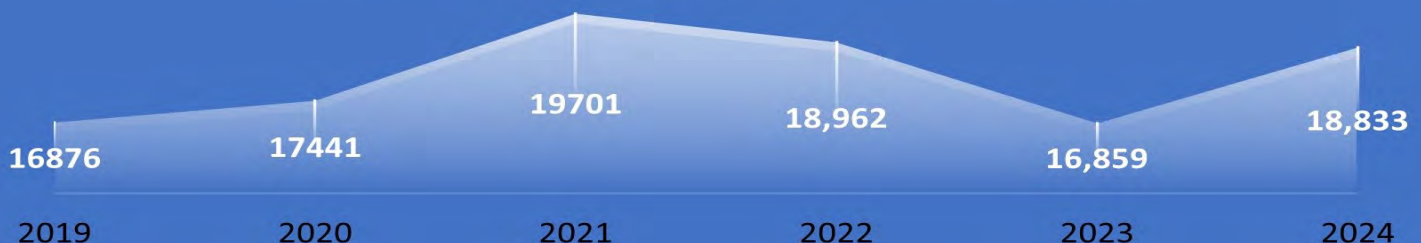


The Town of Cicero is a safe community. Innovative Policing techniques and real time crime analysis assist command staff to effectively deploy departmental resources, resulting in increased crime suppression and suspect apprehension. Concentrated efforts on the part of the dedicated staff continue to positively impact criminal activity in the area.

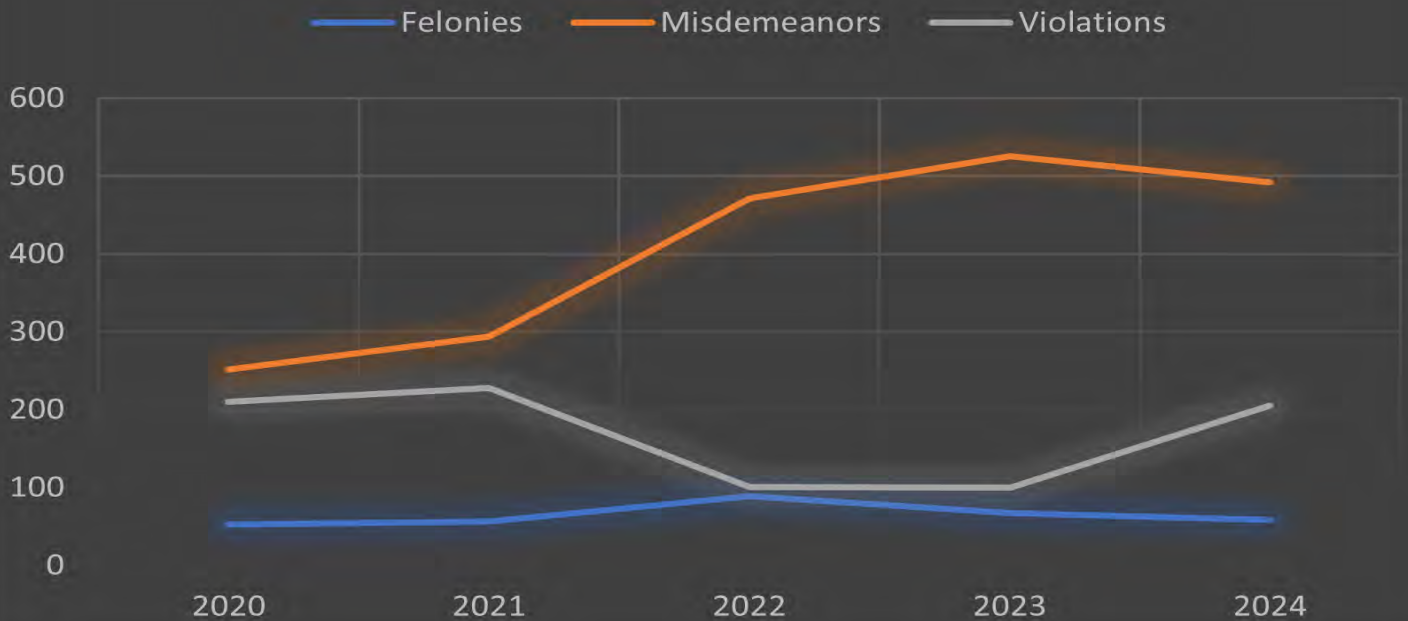
2023-2024 COMPARISON

Assault	↓ 50%
Harassment	↑ 20.3%
Burglary	↑ 39.5%
Larceny	↓ 12.9%
Domestic Violence Calls	↑ 14.6%

CALLS FOR SERVICE 2019-2024



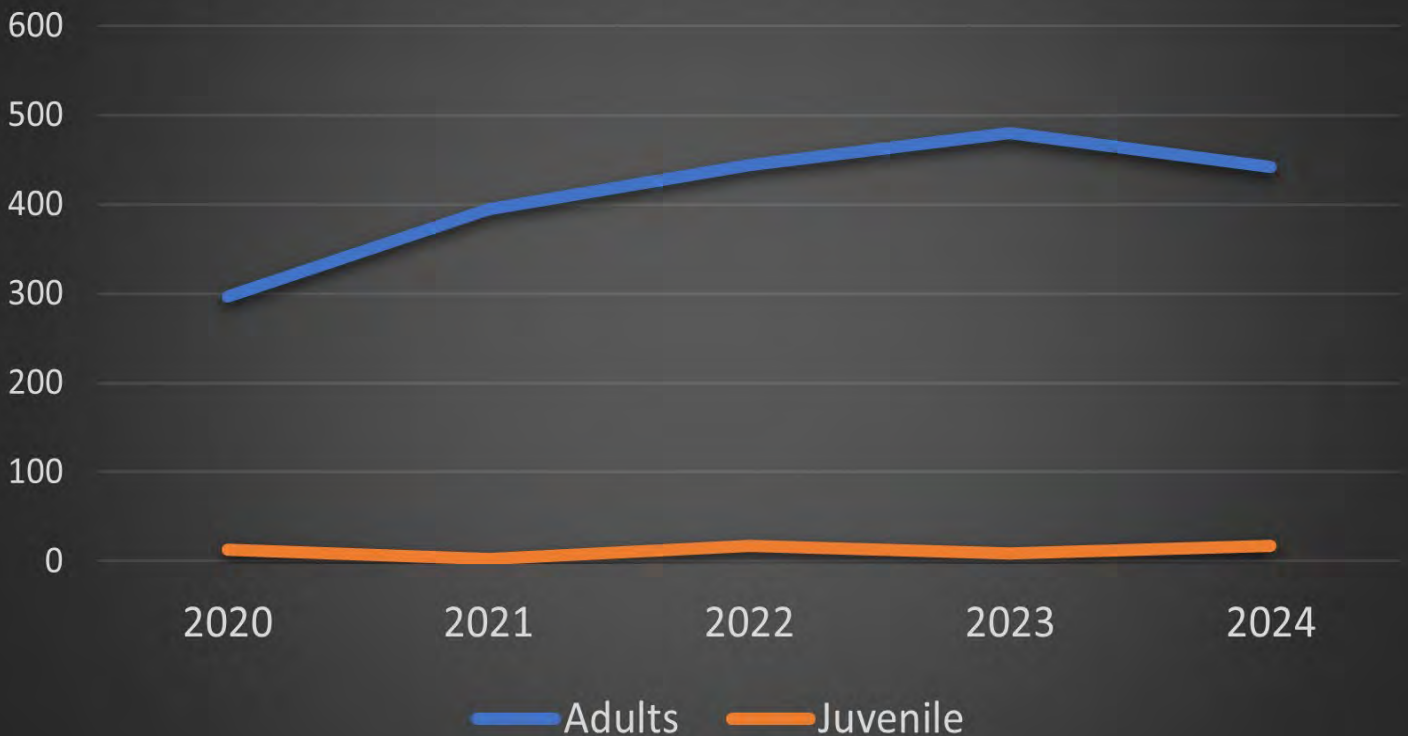
Arrest Statistics by Offense '20-'24



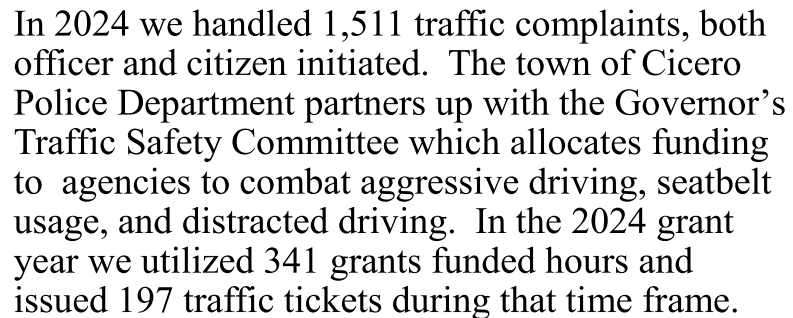
In 2020 the Town of Cicero Police Department made a total of 297 adult arrests compared to a total of 449 adults arrests made in 2024. That is a 44% increase in two years!

During that same time there was a 49% increase in Misdemeanor arrests and a 10% increase in Felony arrests!

Total Persons Arrested '20-'24



744 Motor Vehicle Collisions



- Aggressive Driving Violations
- Speeding
- Equipment Violations
- Cell Phone Use
- Stop Sign
- Seatbelt Violation

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Special Patrol Officers

2022 was a tough year across the country for Active Shooter Incidents. In May of 2022 the North Syracuse School district requested police officers in the Elementary and Early Education schools. The Cicero Police Department was happy to help and staffed Lakeshore Road Elementary, Smith Road Elementary, and Main Street Early Education School with Police Officers while school was in session for the rest of the 21-22 School year including summer school.



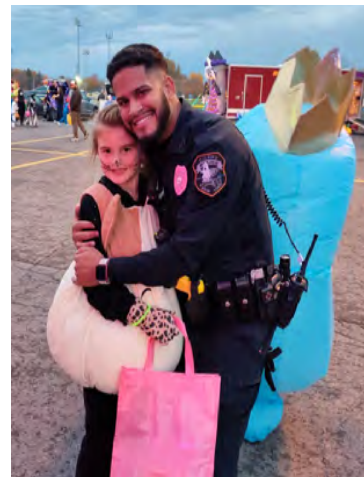
Just prior to the 22-23 school Year the North Syracuse School District and the Cicero Police Department agreed to a partnership that placed Special Patrol Officers (retired police officers) supplemented with full-time current police officers from the Cicero Police Department at Lakeshore Road, Smith Road, and Cicero Elementary Schools.

As the program continues into its third year, our partnerships continue to grow with the students, teachers, and administrators from each school.

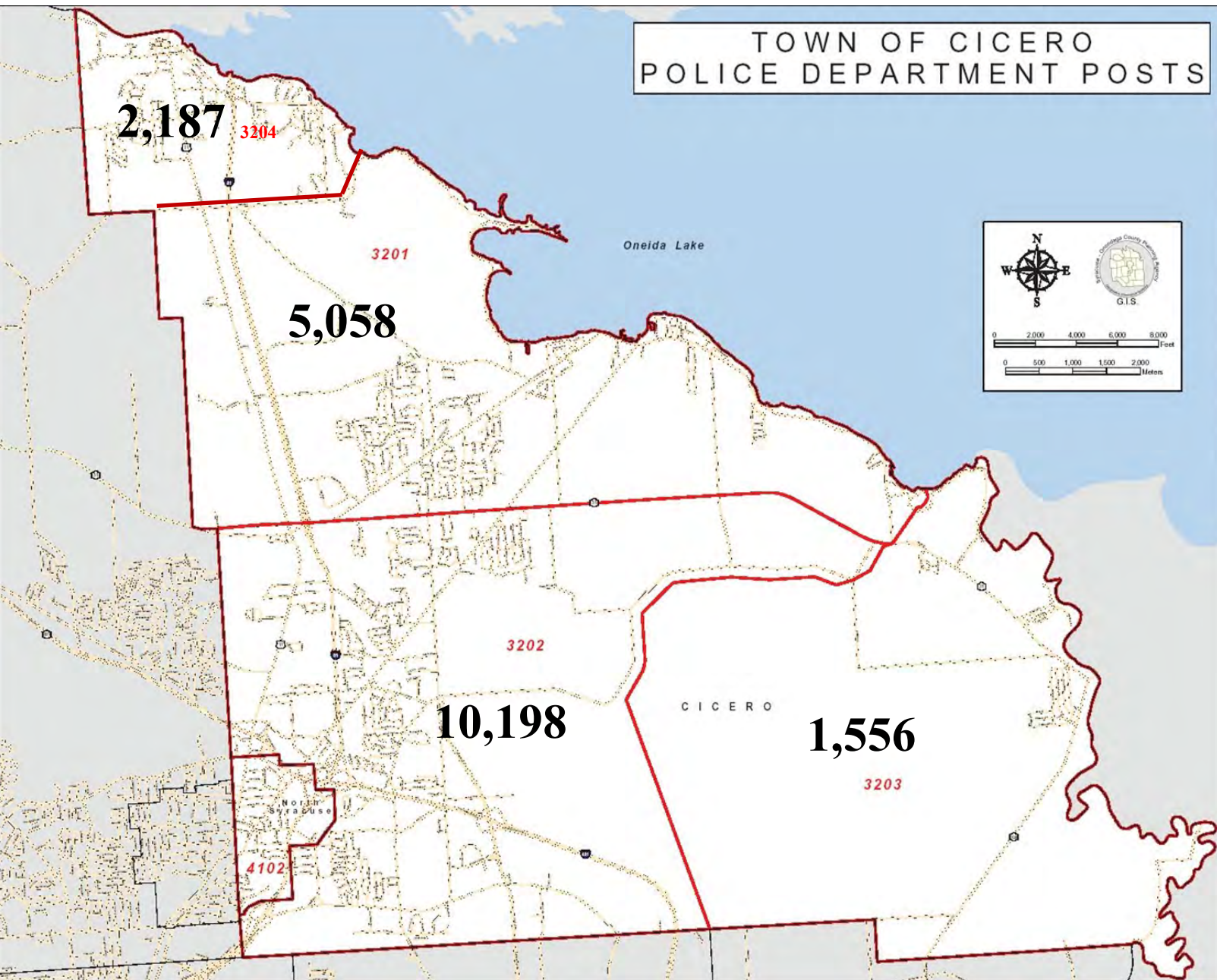


COMMUNITY

- ✓ Coordinated Coffee-With-A-Cop events
- ✓ Participated in the annual “Shop with a Cop” event
- ✓ Coordinated and participated in the Thanksgiving Basket give away for families in need.
- ✓ Held multiple community classes for Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events, Refuse to be a Victim, and Stop the Bleed.
- ✓ Multiple Child ID Events
- ✓ Multiple Car Seat Events



2024 Calls for Service by Post





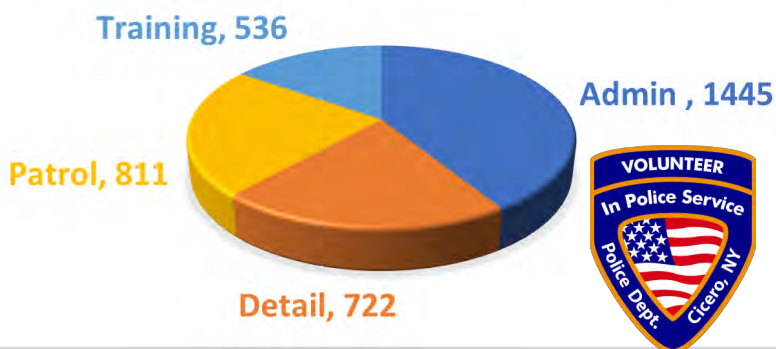
VOLUNTEERS IN POLICE SERVICE

The Town of Cicero Volunteers in Police Service (VIPS) is a 501C3 Non-profit organization that consists of 25 local residents that volunteer their time to the Town of Cicero Police Department that started in 1998. The 1st of its kind in NYS. Their purpose is to assist the Cicero Police and serve the community in many non-law enforcement ways. They perform property checks to businesses and residents and vacation checks.

They also provide community service, neighborhood canvassing and perform crime prevention and community awareness programs to benefit our residents. One very successful program is their free Child ID program, providing vital information to parents in the event of a lost child. Another integral part of the Volunteers in Police Service is the Administrative duties that they perform at the police department.



VOLUNTEER HOUR BREAKDOWN



2024 In Review



